



## **DX bulletin 563**

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## **DX NEWS**

### **FT4GL Glorioso Islands –update June 3**

After a little over a week of traffic, here is an update on the situation. As of today, more than 34,000 QSOs in the log with 32% unique and there is a little more than two weeks of traffic remaining. As a reminder to a certain number of DXers, Marek is at Glorieuses for his job, and it is his priority before any radio activity, which requires QRX. This is his first experience and he is doing his best, because let's not forget that he could have simply not activated Glorieuses for the community...

Concerning the FT8, its traffic is done only with WSJT, following feedback indicating a problem with validating contacts with the RR73, despite resets of PCs, software, settings... and numerous regular power outages also at origin of some of the problems. Still on the subject of FT8, unfortunately there are pirates who install themselves on the same Marek frequencies and send frames in the wrong period, and we cannot do anything about this behavior.

The 80m antenna is installed, the tests have yielded nothing so far. For the 6m despite the five elements this is identical, the ACOM 1000 amplifier planned in particular for the 6m suffered damage during a power outage, however Marek will continue his efforts on these two bands for which there is a strong demand .

Marek will strive to do more SSBs with windows for the "Little Pistol's" which we ask you to respect in order to give everyone the chance to do at least one QSO with FT4GL, note that the SSB is not possible at night because the radio station is where other people sleep.

Communications with the island are difficult and we do not always have information in real time.

### **3Y0K Bouvet Island –cancelled**

Existing sailboat contract has been cancelled and there will be no January 2025 operation. We are currently negotiating the contract for a large expedition vessel + helicopter operation to take place in 2026.

### **Peter I Island DXpedition 2026-2027 by Ken, LA7GIA**

*'We plan to activate Peter I Island in February 2027 with a team of 19 operators. We will go to Peter I with a large vessel and two helicopters, and the DXpedition will be led by an external expedition leader from an Antarctica Expedition company – Spirit of Sydney. The capacity of the expedition leader and the vessel have been reviewed and approved by Norwegian Polar Institute and is the basis for the landing permit we received in April 2024. We are looking for more SSB/CW operators for the Peter I Island DXpedition. The dates are confirmed from January 28 to February 26, 2027. We have received entry permission from the Norwegian Polar Institute and are currently negotiating the boat contract. This DXpedition team will be made up of 19 operators; currently we are 10 operators. We are now looking for 3 or 4 additional operators for this expedition in a short time. Please contact us at admin@3y0.no. This is an expensive DXpedition with a high participation fee, duration of 30 days + travel time.'*

# **DXCC**

## **This week on air**

**This can change daily, please visit <https://www.dx-world.net/> for updates.**

**SU, NIGER** Elvira, IV3FSG is operating as 5U5K until June 20. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB, FT4/8, RTTY and perhaps some CW. QSL via IK2DUW direct.

**C9, MOZAMBIQUE** Pedro, CT7AHV is once again operating as C91AHV until June 15. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. Pedro hopes to livestream on both Club Log and You Tube. QSL via H/c, LoTW. Operation schedule:

From 4th to 7th June FT8 on 10/15/20/40m.

On 8th I will do a POTA activation from reference MZ-0015 – Lubombo Park – located in South of Mozambique.

From 9th to 12th June I will operate on SSB and CW, on 10/15/20/40m.

From 13th June to 15th I will operate on 6m on CW, SSB and FT8.

16th June will be disassemble the antennas.



**FS, ST MARTIN** Look once again for FS/K9EL until June 19. Operation in 'holiday-style' with focus on 6 meter when its open and limited activity on other bands. QSL via K9EL, Club Log, LoTW.

**FT/G GLORIOSO ISL** Mark, FH4VVK is active from Grande Glorieuse, Glorioso Islands as FT4GL until June 19. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. This one-man operation is carried out in parallel with Marek's professional activities. QSL via F4FTV (direct or bureau); full LoTW upload will follow six months after the end of the DXpedition. [FT4GL](#)

**HS, THAILAND** Brad, VK2BY is operating as HS0ZNR until June 13. QSL via home call.

**KH0, MARIANA ISL** Tony, JA6CNL will be operating from Saipan as KH0N. QRV on HF using mainly FT4/8. QSL via home call.

**SV9, CRETE** Erwin, DK5EW is QRV as SV8/call until June 20. Operation on 6 and 4 meter from grid KM35 and KM15. QSL via LoTW or via home call direct.

**TR, GABON** Roland, F8AN is back again in Gabon as TR8CR until June 30 or maybe longer. QSL via F6AJA bureau.

**V4, ST KITTS** John, W5JON is once again active as V47JA until June 13. Operation on HF and 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW or via home call direct.

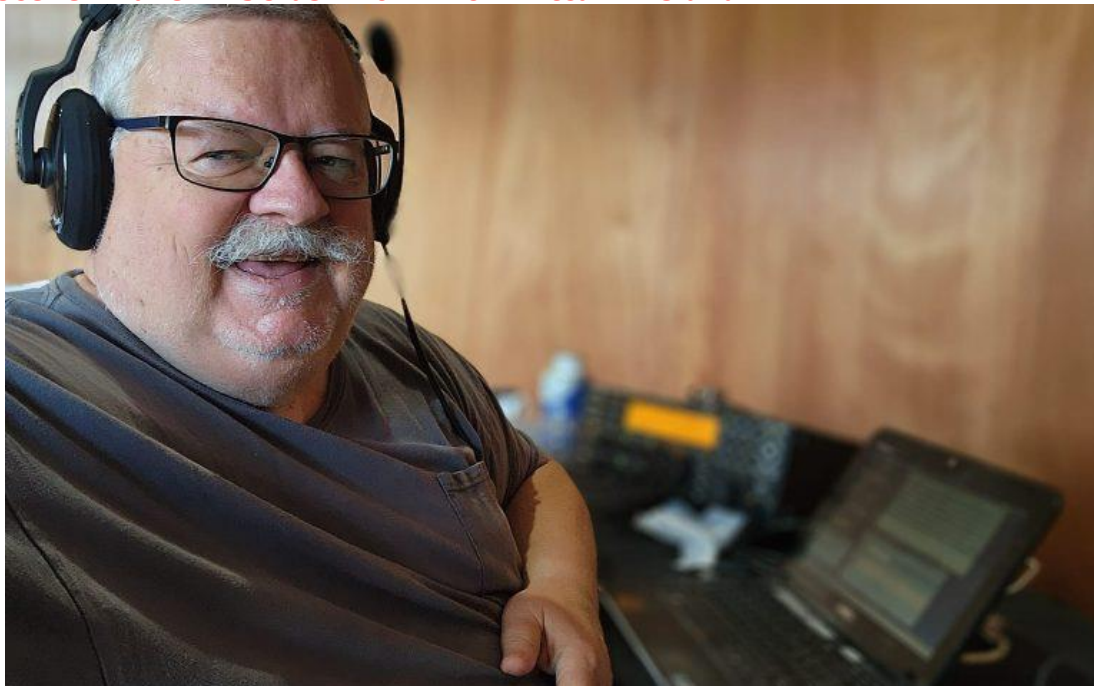
**VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Rikk, WE9G will be QRV as VPV2/call between June 9-12. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using FT4/8, SSB and perhaps CW. QSL via home call, QSO upload to Club Log, LoTW.

**VP6, PITCAIRN ISL** Dave, W2JO is active as VP6DF until June 9. Low power operation and probably 100% CW. QSL via N2ZN and LoTW. After VP6 he will move to Tahiti as FO/call.

*'Based on this Google Earth map, I am going to be operating at a very high location on the island. There might be a bit of shadowing from the mountain on the NW which is the direction to the Korean Peninsula and Japan.'*

**Z3, MACEDONIA** Vlado, ZS6MG will be active as Z3/call during his spare time. Operation from 60 to 6 meter with perhaps some POTA references.

**On the scene...Dave W2JO as VP6DF from Pitcairn Island**



## Coming up soon

**5H, TANZANIA** Charles, NK80 will be active as 5H3DX between June 18 and June 30. It's primarily a business trip for the NGO so operations will be limited to CW and FT4/8. *'I will go to fox-hound mode on FT8 this trip to give more opportunities for folks to get into the log. Apologies to any SSB ops. Unless propagation is exceptional, I will not be using a mic. Power is limited to 100 watts in Tanzania and without better antennnas, it's almost impossible to run a pile-up on sideband.'*

**8Q, MALDIVES** Felix, DL6JF will be operating from Helengeli as 8Q7JF between June 16 and June 29. Operation in 'holiday-style' using CW and digi. QSL via DM5JBN, LoTW.

**LX, LUXEMBOURG** A Belgian team with ON6ZV, ON6OM, ON7EG and ON3CC will be active in 'holiday-style' as LX/ON4IPA and as LX/OO6P between June 15 and June 21. Operation on HF using SSB and digi. The operators are member of the International Police Association radio club, all the QSO's are valid for the IPA awards.

**T8, PALAU** Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be active as T88PB during June 14-17. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. An entry in the All Asian DX CW contest is included. QSL via home call.

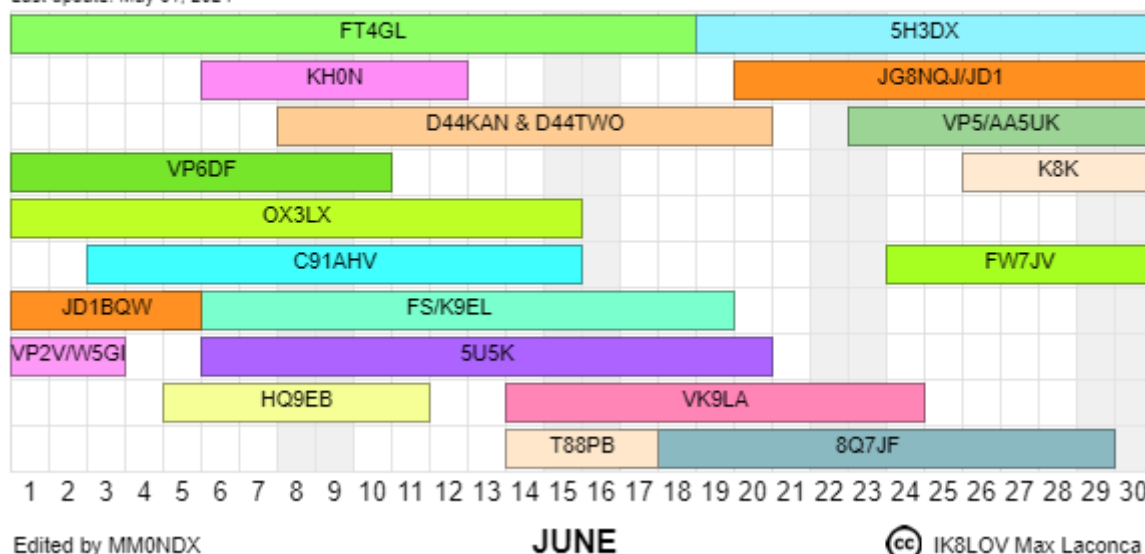
**VK9L, LORD HOWE ISL** Yuris, YL2GM will be active as VK9LA between June 14 and June 24. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via YL2GN, Club Log, LoTW. Updates will be posted to <https://lral.lv/vk9la/index.html>. After Lord Howe, Yuris is expected to be QRV as K8K from American Samoa for another week between 26 June and 9 July. The Northern California DX Foundation has granted its financial support to Juris ("one of the most pro-lific DXpeditioners today"), as "wherever he goes with a radio, he can be counted upon to create quite a commotion on the bands".



# DXCC Timeline

## FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

Last update: May 31, 2024



## IOTA

### **This week on air**

#### **AFRICA**

**AF-005 Santiago Isl** Harald DF2WO / D44TWO (FT8 and CW) and Franz DG9KAN / D44KAN (SSB) will once again be active between June 8 and June 20. Operation mainly on 6 meter using FT8 and CW on all bands. <https://www.qrz.com/db/D44TWO>

#### **ASIA**

**AS-079 Miyako Isl** Take, JS6RRR (also JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 & JR8YLY/6) is active from Miyako-jima AS-079 until June 26. QRV on 160-6m, SSB/CW/FT8 using the various calls mentioned on different modes. Participation in the CQ WPX CW contest as JS6RRR. All QSL info on QRZ.com.

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-028 Elba** Domenico, IK1MNF is operating as call/IA5 until end September. QRV from 20 to 6 meter using SSB. Log upload to Club Log and LoTW. QSL via home call.

**EU-137 Ven Isl** Lars, SM6CUK is once again active as SA6G/7 until June 8. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using mainly CW with a K3 100W and vertical antennas.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

##### **NA trip by Andy AA5JF**

**NA-139 Assateague Island** June 7, ~1900Z to June 8, 1800Z. POTA US-1559

**NA-140 Middle Hooper Island** June 8, 1900Z to June 10, 0100Z. Not POTA

**NA-136 Outer Thimble Island** June 15, 1400Z to 2000Z. POTA US-0228

**NA-148 Georges Island** June 16, 1500Z-1830Z, POTA US-2421

**NA-046 Martha's Vineyard** June 19, 1400Z-2100Z, POTA US-4696 and/or US-11636

*'I'll be mostly CW, but will use FT8 on NA-139 and NA-140 for sure (and definitely NO FT8 at NA-136 and NA-148, where I will log on paper). Plus at all the POTA sites I will be on SSB, as that is where the bulk of the POTA operators are.'*

**NA-057 Roatan Isl** Mike, AB5EB is active as HQ9EB until June 11. Operation mainly on 50 Mhz with a 8 element beam and 1,5 KW. QSL via home call.

**NA-071 Islas Parida** A team with HP1EJC, HP1PAR, HP1DBK, HP1MRA, HP1REF, HP8FOC and HP1JGG will be QRV as H33IP during June 7-9. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using FT8. [H33IP - Callsign Lookup by QRZ Ham Radio](#)

**NA-151 Ammassalik Isl** Bo, OZ1DJJ is once again active as OX3LX until June 15. Operation during his spare time using SSB and FT8. QSL via OZ0J, log upload to LoTW and Club Log.

## **SOUTH AMERICA**

**SA-017 Gorgona Isl** A team large Colombian team will be active between June 7-11. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB, digi and sat. *'The special callsign for the Gorgona Island Ham Radio Dxpedition will take almost 30 days. The team is trying to get it early, and if for any reason it's not on time, the expedition will run with the callsigns of the operators on the island, but we are positive to get the callsign sooner. Remember that this is a new expedition to Gorgona Island – last one happened in 1989!!'*

## **Coming up soon**

### **EUROPE**

**EU-017 Salina Isl** Francesco, IK6QON will be active as ID9/call during June 15-22. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF using a multiband antenna with 100w. QSL via IZ6BR.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Announced DX**

#### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA** A team with N5DD, W5MJ, K5PI and VE7KW will be active as KH8T from September 2 until September 16. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <https://www.kh8t.net/>

#### **THE REMINDERS**

##### **Caribbean trip by Eric GM5RDX**

My 2024 Caribbean Islands DXpedition will see me operating from both the Dutch and French sides of St Maarten as PJ7/GM5RDX and FS/GM5RDX. Additionally, I'll be entering the IOTA contest from Anguilla (VP2EGM) and then spending a few days on St Kitts (V4/G5RDX). This trip will take place during the last two weeks of July.



# Caribbean DXpedition



**PJ7/GM5RDX**  
**St Maarten**  
IOTA NA-105

**FS/GM5RDX**  
**St Martin**  
IOTA NA-105

**VP2EGM**  
**Anguilla**  
IOTA NA-022

**V4/G5RDX**  
**St Kitts**  
IOTA NA-104

**18th to 31st July 2024**  
**Operated by Eric GM5RDX**

##### **African tour by Pista HA5AO**

Pista, HA5AO – celebrating 50 years anniversary of his HAM license – informs DX-World that he will be active from four African countries in September/October 2024. The operating sites are within 40-80 km circle of the common borders of Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana and Namibia. Ten days of operation can be expected from each country on CW, SSB, and FT8 from 80m up to 6m. The licenses are in hand, the QTHs are booked. He will use K3S and FT-710 transceivers with KPA 500 power amplifier. The antenna is a DX Commander vertical for 40-6m bands and multi-band inverted-V (80m-6m) on a 12m HD Spider pole, donated by Spiderbeam. The planned schedule is as follows,  
03-13 September, Zimbabwe, Zambezi National Park as **Z22AO**, QRA: KH21ww

14-23 September, Zambia, Victoria Falls region as **9J2AO**, QRA: KH22wc  
24 Sept-04 October, Botswana, Chobe National Park as **A25AO**, QRA: KH22oc  
05-14 October, Namibia, Katima Mulilo region as **V5/HA5AO**, QRA: KH22dm  
Other details, QSL policy and OQRS can be found [here](#).

**3A, MONACO** Col, MM0NDX and Steve, MM0SAJ will again be active from Monaco during September 5-9 as 3A/MM0NDX and 3A/MM0SAJ. QRV on various bands and modes. Main focus likely to be on low bands in their evening and 6m if propagation permits. QSL both calls to EB7DX (LoTW also).

**3D2/R, ROTUMA ISL** The Pacific Islands DXpedition Group (PIDXG) announces a team with Gregg, W6IZT; Hal, W8HC; Nathan, K4NHW and others will operate from Rotuma as 3D2Z between November 15 and December 4. Preliminary plans call for the team to operate locally with 3 stations in addition to 2 of Gregg's NexGenRiBs (remote radio systems) that proved successful during the recent [CB0ZEW DXpedition](#) at Robinson Crusoe Island (Juan Fernandez). The team will also participate in the CQWW CW Contest using a different callsign from the DXpedition. Necessary permits and licensing has been secured in addition to confirmed accommodations for the DXpedition's location on the island's north coast.

**4W, TIMOR LESTE** Alan, VK2MET/VK1AO will once again be active as 4W/VK1AO from Dili during August 17-30. Operation mainly from 40 to 12 meter using CW and FT8 in QRP power. QSL via home call, LoTW, Club Log.

**5N, NIGERIA** The Rebel DX Group are off to Abuja, Nigeria after their Tuvalu DXpedition. They have requested the callsign 5N5N. Three ops with up to 10 stations; 160-6m, mainly CW & FT8. Dates will be announced soon.

**5W, SAMOA** Pete, ZL4TE will be QRV as 5W0TE from October 3 until October 10. *'Full credit to my XYL, she had no objection to my bringing the Icom 705. Given it is our silver wedding anniversary trip, I think she may be a keeper! I hope to operate CW, FT8 and D-STAR, holiday style. In anticipation of this latest trip, I have joined POTA and WWFF. I intend to activate at least one of the parks (more if I get time). Our accomodation is a good distance from many of the parks. It is still a way off, but at the moment I am going to cut and test some elements for EFHW antenna. Once the weather warms up I will give them an airing at a local park. I'm also trying to acquaint myself with the WWFF / POTA software.'*

**6O, SOMALIA** Look for 6O3T with Fabri IV3JPP, Paolo IV3DSH, Frank IZ8GCE, Maurizio IV3ZXQ and Mauro IV3AZV sometime 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL information and more details on <https://dxexplorer.net/>



**6Y, JAMAICA** Neil, G0RNU will once again be operating as 6Y/call between October 23 and November 6. Activity on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

**8Q, MALDIVES** Christia, OE3DEC will be operating as 8Q7EC from South Male Atoll between July 1 and July 12. Operation in 'holiday-style' using SSB only on 20 meter. QSL via home call, bureau only.

**8Q, MALDIVES** Look for Mariusz, SP5MDB from Vaavu Atoll as 8Q7SQ (dates TBA). Activity on



20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

**9U, BURUNDI** Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

**A2, BOTSWANA** Look for Andreas DB8UX as A25UX between August 3 and August 9. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using low power FT8. QSL via LoTW.

**CY9, ST PAUL ISL** The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9 during August 26 and September 5. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.

**D4, CAPE VERDE** Claudio, HB9OAU will be active from Sal Island as D44OA between October 24 and November 5. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

**E5, COOK ISL** Steve, ZL4CZ / E51CZZ and Steve, ZL2KE / E51KEE will be active from Rarotonga (OC-013) and Aitutaki (OC-083) during July 20 to August 6. QRV from 40 to 10 meter using mainly 20-15-10. Possibly 160 and 8 depending on QRN and interest from DXers. Holiday-style activity with XYLS. QSL via LoTW.

**FG, GUADELOUPE** Look for TO2X during the CQWW SSB contest (M5RIC, GW4XUM, K1XX and W1MD). Before and after the contest they will sign as FG/calls. TO2X via LoTW.

**FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Tino VE2GCE, Mark VA2MM, Malcolm VE2DDZ, Jonathan VA2XZA, John VE2YNI and Vlad VA2AN will be active as TO8FP during August 10-22. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, digi and sats. QSL via Club Log.

**FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Once again, FP/KV1J will be operating between July 2 and July 16. An entry in the IARU contest is included. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call or LoTW.

**FR, REUNION ISL** Dates still to be confirmed, but look for Giovanni IZ2DPX as TO7PX. QRV from 40 to 6 meter using SSB & FT8 using fishing rod antenna. Operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via IK2DUW.

**FR, REUNION ISL** Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be operating as TO7PX between July 8-14. Activity in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via IK2DUW.

**FS, ST MARTIN** Gregg, W6IZT and Hal, W8HC will be returning to Falaise des Oiseaux, St. Martin (FS) for a one week DX-cation from June 25 to July 2. They will be active 6m-40m with a K3S, KPA500, HF vertical and sloping dipole for HF and 5 element LFA yagi for 6m. Gregg will be taking one, and possibly two, of his NexGenRiBs following the successful debut and remote operation from Robinson Crusoe Island, CB0ZEW. Gregg says that tentative plans are to identify a suitable location for the RiB on the Dutch (PJ7) side of the island while operating simultaneously from the French (FS) side. More information to follow.

**FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA** Following on from his recent T32JV activity, and prior to the upcoming N5J Jarvis Island DXpedition, look for George AA7JV to be active as FW7JV from Wallis & Futuna during June 24-30, 2024. Main focus on 160M and 80M in preparation for N5J.

**FY, FRENCH GUIANA** Joe, OZ0J will be operating between December 20 and December 31 (call pending). Operation from 80 to 10 meter but depending on free space for antennas. QSL via Club Log OQRS (prefer), LoTW or H/C. He will operate on CW, SSB and FT8 (mostly Fox/Hound), but mostly FT8 because FY5FY and FY5KE are very active on CW, SSB and RTTY. Club Log Live Stream will be added if the Internet connection is stable. Website url to be added once callsign known.

**J6, ST LUCIA** Seth, N4XTT will be active as J6/call during August 10-17. Operation on 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via home call and LoTW.

*'I am also planning to activate POTA reference J6-0001, which hasn't been activated yet. This will be a part time operation (holiday style) using a 100w radio and a DX-Commander Expedition 40-10m vertical. Bands and modes: 40-10M; CW, SSB & FT8/FT4. I'm a youth op and looking forward to having fun on the island!'*

**J8, GRENADINES** Brian, GW4DVB will once again be active as J88PI from Palm Island between September 12 and September 21. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. [DXpedition 2024 | gw4dvh-website \(g4dvh.co.uk\)](https://www.g4dvh.co.uk)

**JW, SVALBARD** Look for LA6VM, LA7XK and LA9DL as JW6VM, JW7XK and JW9DL between October 9-14. An entry in the Scandinavian Activity Contest SSB is included as JW5X. QSL via homecalls, JW5X via LA5X.

**KH5, JARVIS ISL** In March the Dateline DX Association was pleased to announce that it has received permission from the USFWS for a DXpedition to Jarvis Island National Wildlife Reserve this August. Jarvis is ranked nr. 18 on Clublog's global most wanted list. It is number 9 in Europe. In some EU countries Jarvis is ranked as high as second most wanted on phone and

digital. Jarvis is ranked higher than Bouvet (16) in Europe. It is 450 miles from Palmyra Atoll and 1500 miles from Hawaii.

An experienced team of five consisting of George, AA7JV, Don, N1DG, Tomi, HA7RY, Adrian, KO8SCA, and Mike, KN4EEI, will install 6 RIB stations on Jarvis. The at-island team will be augmented by 24 remote operators from Asia, Europe and North America. All phone, 160 and 6 mtr operations will be done locally. The local ops will also operate CW and FT8 on all bands. The remote operators will operate on 80 to 10 meters using CW and FT8 modes. We are permitted 12 days of operation but the permit is good for the whole month of August to allow for weather issues.

**V4, ST KITTS** BJ, WA7WJR will be operating as V4/call between July 8 and July 12. Operation in 'holiday-style' with some Parks on the Air activations. QRV from 20 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, LoTW.

**V7, MARSHALL ISL** Following their successful journey to Guyana under the callsign **8R7X**, the team is now setting their sights on a new destination in the Pacific region. Their next DXpedition will take them to the Marshall Islands, scheduled for February 2025.

Stay tuned for more details as they become available. Additionally, the team is in the process of launching a website, which will soon be accessible.

**VK9L, LORD HOWE ISL** Callsign may change and the dates are not yet known, but Jeff W7BRS has plans to be active from Lord Howe island later this year. QSL likely to be via Club Log OQRS, LoTW (pending). Full info to follow in due course.

**VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.



**VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS** Adrian, AA5UK will be QRV as VP5/call between June 23 and July 5. QRV in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 6 meter using mostly FT8, RTTY, SSB and Olivia. <https://www.qrz.com/db/VP5/AA5UK>

**VP6, PITCAIRN ISL** Bill, G0VDE informs DX-World that he will be active as VP6WR during September 5-15. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using vertical / wire antennas and PA. Modes: SSB & FT8, maybe some CW. QSL info to follow.

**VU4, ANDAMAN & NICOBAR** DX-Adventure announces a DXpedition with an international team of over 10 operators during the first quarter of 2025. QRV on all band using CW, SSB and digital modes. More to follow. <https://www.dx-adventure.com/>

**XT, BURKINA FASO** Antonio, I8KHC and the Mediterraneo Dx Club are planning a DXpedition as XT2MD between October 31 and November 11. A team with 14 skilled operators will be active with 5 stations non-stop from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IK2VUC. <https://www.mdxc.support/xt2md/>

**YJ, VANUATU** Look for a team led by N4VGE to be active as YJ0VV between October 16-30. An entry in several contests is included. *'There are openings in the group for three to four more hams and their spouses. We are expecting excellent spring propagation for making European and North American contacts. Of course, the location will bring an abundance of Asian contacts as well.'*



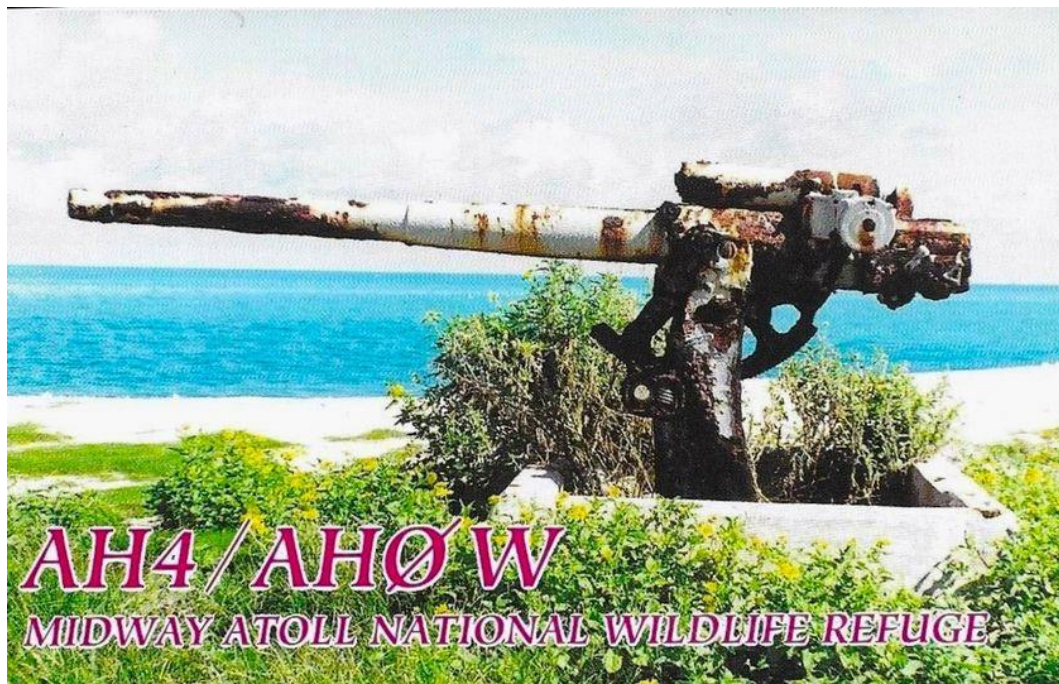
*Antennas we plan on taking and erecting include parasitic phased verticals, BuddiHex Hexbeam, 160 Cable Help long wire, and 40-80 meter G5RV long wires.'*

**YN, NICARAGUA** Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO>

**ZD7, ST HELENA** Oliver, W6NV will once again be QRV as ZD7W for the CQWW SSB and CQWW CW contest.

**ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA** Lance, W7GJ will be active as ZD9GJ on a 6m EME DXpedition. QRV between August 23 and September 30.

**ZK3, TOKELAU** Hrane YT1AD and team YU3AA, RC9O and UA9OYL will be active from Tokelau end 2024 or beginning 2025. The reason is that New Zealand's State activities on the island of Tokelau during February and March, which have PRIORITY!



## **IOTA**

### **THE REMINDERS**

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-040 Berlenga Grande Isl** CT1END/p, CT2IFE/p, CS7AWH/p, CS7AWL/p and CS7BEK/p will be active as CS5POTA on July 19-20. QRV from 80 to 2 meter using SSB, FM and digital modes. QSL for CS5POTA via CT1REP, others via home calls.

**EU-118 Flannan Isl** A team of five UK ops will attempt to activate MM0UKI from the Flannan Islands EU-118 in August. The uninhabited island group is 20 miles (32km) west of the Isle of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides. It is 6th 'most wanted' IOTA in Europe and 2nd in the UK (after Rockall). The team consists of Rockall DXpedition veteran Nobby G0VJG, John G4IRN, Paul G4PVM, Mike GM5AUG and Jamie M0SDV. The ferry tickets have been booked from Ullapool (mainland Scotland) to Lewis and a private charter boat will take the team to Flannan. The trip is weather dependent – departure to the island is planned for 1st August, with the 2nd being a contingency day. Activity will be on 40m to 6m SSB and CW from three stations and will continue until the first available weather window for departure on 4th August or thereafter.

**EU-138 Senoren Isl** Members of EDR Ballerup will be active as SM/OV2E between July 25 and July 29. An entry in the IOTA contest is included, activity on HF and perhaps 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via Club Log, LoTW or via OZ0J for bureau or direct. Log upload and live depend on the internet connection.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-220 Maniitsoq Isl** Joe, OZ0J will once again be QRV as OX0J from September 13 until September 22. Activity from 40 to 10 meter depending on free space for antennas. QSL via Club Log OQRS (prefer), LoTW or H/C. Joe will try to participate in the SAC CW on ONE band only if condx are good, and will also operate on CW, SSB and FT8 (mostly Fox/Hound) before SAC CW.

Depends on local weather, he will put up the antennas on 13 September and take down on 22 September. Club Log Live Stream will be added if the Internet connection is stable. Information will be updated continuously **here** (and DX-World).

## **OCEANIA**

**OC-063 Mangareva Isl** Bill, G0VDE will be operating as FO/call during September 17-21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, FT8 and some CW. QSL info to follow.

**OC-144 Ketawai Isl** Look for 7E4K between July 23 and July 29, the Bangka Belitung team members will be QRV during the IOTA contest as 7E4C, outside the contest as 7E4K. QSL via LoTW, or via YE4FNN bureau or direct.

**OC-144 Mendanau Isl** Irfan, YE4IJ and team will be operating as 7E4M during September 14-16. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using all modes + VHF/UHF satellite, FM and SSTV.



To celebrate 60 years since the founding of the IOTA programme, an anniversary dinner will be organized on Friday, 28 June 2024 between 19:00 and 23:00, at the V20 Bio Restaurant in the Zeppelin Museum, Friedrichshafen. The event offers an opportunity for chasers and activators to share time together, chatting about topics of common interest, such as past and future expeditions, technology trends, and goals – [read more [here](#)]

\*HAM RADIO 2024: From June 28 to 30, everything will revolve around amateur radio in Friedrichshafen on Lake Constance. In cooperation with the organizers, the DARC, as the conceptual sponsor of Europe's largest amateur radio trade fair, this meeting will open the doors to a world of almost unlimited possibilities. This big, wide world plays a significant role in the motto of HAM RADIO 2024: We celebrate 60 years of IOTA – Islands On The Air – [read more [here](#)]

## **Special calls**

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**DL, GERMANY** The following special event call signs will be active between June 14 and July 17 around the European Football Championship: **DL2024E**, **DL2024U**, **DL2024R**, **DL2024O**. Awards are also available: <https://www.darc.de/der-club/referate/dx/sonderdiplome/>. (TNX DXNL)

**F, FRANCE** Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings, French special event stations include **TM6DD**, operated by members of the Association des Radioamateurs de l'Orne from Utah Beach on 3-8 June (QSL via F6IGY), and **TM80DDAY**, operated by a group of Dutch scouts (PA3EFR/J) from Omaha Beach on 4-9 June.

**G, ENGLAND** The call sign **GB4DDL** (D Day Landings) commemorates the Allied landing operation on the air on June 7 and 8 from the Mexborough & District Amateur Radio Society (MADARS -



G4BTS), located near Doncaster. QRV on all HF bands. QSL via M00XO OQRS, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)  
**G, ENGLAND** Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings, the RSGB's National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park will host the special event station **GB2DAY** on 6-9 June. Look for activity on 80 and 40 metres SSB and CW. QSL via eQSL.

**I, ITALY IY4RFE** will be active from the Marconi Museum on June 8 and 9. For more information see: <https://www.arifidenza.it/> (TNX DXNL)

**SP, POLAND** Special callsigns **SP900CPZ**, **3Z1OTTON**, **HF1OTTON**, **SN1OTTON**, **SO1OTTON**, **SP1OTTON** and **SQ1OTTON** will be active from 3 June to 2 July to mark the 900th anniversary of the first mission to Pomerania undertaken by Otto, bishop of Bamberg. A certificate will be available, see <https://sp1kze.pzk.org.pl/900.html#en> for information.

## **THE REMINDERS**

**9A, CROATIA** Throughout 2024 Tom, 9A2AA will use **9A67AA** to mark his 67 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

**9A, CROATIA 9A100RKZ** is the special callsign celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary since Radioklub Zagreb was founded (24 March 1924). Look for activity throughout 2024. QSL via 9A1ADE. (TNX 42DX)

**DL, GERMANY DM60IOTA** celebrates the 60th anniversary of the IARU programme and plans to operate from all German IOTA references (EU-042, EU-047, EU-127, EU-057, EU-128, and EU-129). Exact dates are not known yet. (TNX DXNL). QSL via DL2VFR.

**DL, GERMANY DP9GLHN** is the special callsign that members of DARC's Ortsverband Norderney are using until end 2024 to mark the 150th anniversary since the Norderney Island (EU-047) lighthouse was put into service. QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** The following callsigns (special DOK 75LUFT) commemorate the Berlin Air Lift of 1948: **DLOGWW** for Gatow (British sector), **DL0THF** (for Tempelhof, American sector), **DL0TXL** (Tegel, French sector). QRV between May 12 and June 24. An award is also available, see: <https://ham-awards.de/index.php/75luft/>. QSL only via LoTW, DCL, qrz.com; there will be no paper cards. An operating schedule is available here: <https://www.darc.de/der-club/distrikte/l/ortsverbaende/33/75luft/> (TNX DXNL)

**EI, IRELAND** Between 1 September and 31 August 2024 **EI4FOTA** will be active from all around Ireland - including SOTA and POTA locations, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, lighthouses and IOTA islands. Apparently the first operation will be on 17-24 September from the Giant's Causeway - which is in Northern Ireland (GI), though; then on 5-15 October from the Blasket Islands (EU-007). (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** By the Landes 40 department, look for **TM40FLO** May 21 – June 4 (olympic torch flame through france), **TM40FO** July 26 - August 9 (Olympic games), **TM40IPC** August 28 - September 8 ( International Paralympic Committee).

**F, FRANCE** Team **TM80DD** will be active on 1-16 June to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings in Normandy (6 June 1944). They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on all bands. QSL via F5JYD, direct or bureau. [TNX F5JYD]

**F, FRANCE** Look for **TM80BON** to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-DAY June 6, 1944. QRV from May 21 until June 10. QSL via F5PYI.

**F, FRANCE TM100OG** is the special call to celebrate 100 years of the first Olympic games in Paris. The first Olympic games occurred in Paris one century ago. QRV from July 10 until August 10. QSL via F5PYI.

**F, FRANCE** Special callsign **TM83JO** is active on 26 July, when the flame ends its journey by lighting the Olympic cauldron at the Paris 2024 Opening Ceremony of. Look for activity on 80-6 metres SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via QO-100. QSL via the bureau, LoTW, eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** For the 72nd year the Association des Radioamateurs de la Sarthe (F6KFI) will operate a special event station for the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Look for **TM24H** on 2-16 June, with activity on various bands and modes. QSL via F6KFI. (TNX 425DX)

**FY, FRENCH GUIANA** Active during various dates in May and July, look for **TO60CSG** from French Guiana. This special event callsign is used to celebrate 60 years of Europe's Spaceport based in Kourou. More info here. LoTW uploads end of every month.

**G, ENGLAND** Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings in Normandy (6 June 1944), members of the Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society will be active as **GB80DDAY** between 1 and 28 June, with a special focus of activity on 6 June. QSL via eQSL, or via M00XO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

**G, ENGLAND** Joining Guglielmo Marconi's 150th anniversary celebrations, the Cornish Radio Amateur Club (GX4CRC) will be active as **GB150GM** from 27 April until 27 July. QSL via eQSL. This activity participates in the "Marconi 150 Award", organized by the Associazione Radioamatori



Italiani (ARI) and the Coordinamento Stazioni Marconiane Italiane (CSMI) under the patronage of the Guglielmo Marconi Foundation. See IR2GMCL below. (TNX 425DX)

**GI, IRELAND** Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings (6 June 1944), the Rushyhill Radio Society (MN0UGP) will be active as **GB8DDY** between 1 and 28 June. A certificate will be available, but QSL cards will not be provided - see <https://www.qrz.com/db/GB8DDY> for information. (TNX 425DX)

**GM, SCOTLAND** Look for **GB9DAT** to be active on 1-28 June on a variety of digital modes (including FT8, FT4, PSK, and RTTY, among others). This is a "special event station dedicated to advancing and promoting digital modes in amateur radio". QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to MM0DFV. (TNX 425DX)

**HB9, SWITZERLAND** Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi members of the USKA's Valais/Wallis Section are active as **HB150GM** until December. QSL via the bureau to HB9Y. (TNX DXNL)

**HB9, SWITZERLAND** Special callsign **HB50VC** celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Radio Amateur Club Swissair (HB9VC) end 2024. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW; QSL cards will not be provided, but a certificate will be available for download:

<https://award.dl1run.de/award/hb50vc/awardform.html> (TNX 425DX)

**HB9, SWITZERLAND** Members of the Zurich City Police Radio Amateur Club (HB9SP) will be active as **HB20SP** throughout 2024 to celebrate their club's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and qrz.com; do not send any card via the bureau. (TNX 42DX)

**I, ITALY** Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, members of ARI's Board of Directors are active as **IR2GMCL** until July 27 during the "Marconi 150 Award". See <https://www.qrz.com/db/IR2GMCL> for the rules. Paper QSL cards will not be provided; electronic QSLs will be downloadable from the HamAward platform. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** Members of ARI Venezia (IQ3VE) is active as **IR3POLO** until June 30. The special callsign commemorates the 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the death of Marco Polo, the Venetian merchant and explorer who travelled through Asia along the Silk Road (1271- 1295). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

**I, ITALY** Members of ARI Colli Albani (IQ0HV) will be active as **IIOLOR** from 31 May to 30 June to mark the 80th anniversary of the Liberation of Rome (4 June 1944). QSL via I0KNQ. A certificate will be available, see <https://www.qrz.com/db/IIOLOR> for information. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** Celebrating Pesaro Capitale Italiana della Cultura (Italian Capital of Culture) 2024, members of ARI Pesaro and ARI Fano will be active as **II6CIC** from 1 June to 29 August. QSL via IQ6PS. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** Throughout 2024 ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns each representing a "keyword" that summarizes and characterizes the content of a sentence from one of Guglielmo Marconi's many public speeches: **II4DETR** (April), **II4SEAS** (May), **II4RDFE** (June), **II4INNV** (July), **II4BFRE** (August), **II4OTSR** (September), **II4VISN** (October), **II4BTFU** (November), **II4FCGD** (December). QSL via IQ4FE. Information about the "Discovering Marconi" award: <http://www.arifidenza.it/>.

**LA, NORWAY** Look for **LA400KBG** during 2024 to celebrate the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the establishment of the Kongsberg silver mines and the Kongsberg town in 1624. Operation on different bands and modes. QSL direct only via LA1TV. The silver rich area measures about 5 x 20 km, and the richest mine, called The King's Mine, was mined to a depth of 1076 meters. The mining lasted to 1958, and the total silver amount mined has been estimated to about 2000 tonnes. (TNX DXNL)

**LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special 12allsigns during 2024 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ44IZ** (June), **LZ302IT** (July and August), **LZ151IW** (September and October), and **LZ311PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2024 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>. (TNX 425DX)

**OE, AUSTRIA** **OE24BI** draws attention to Bad Ischl, European Capital of Culture 2024. QRV until the end of June. (TNX DXNL)

**OE, AUSTRIA** **OE100RADIO** celebrates the centennial of radio broadcasting during 2024. (TNX DXNL)

**OE, AUSTRIA** Sylvia, OE5YYN will be active as **OE20SOTA** between 1 May and 31 October to mark the 20th anniversary since Austria joined the Summits on the Air programme. A certificate will be available, see <https://www.qrz.com/db/OE20SOTA>. (TNX 425DX)

**ON, BELGIUM** Throughout 2024, the Radio Club de Liège (LGE) will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. To mark the occasion, the special call sign **OR100LGE** will be activated from 6m to 160m, mainly on FT8/FT4, CW and SSB. Livestream on Club Log. <https://clublog.org/livestream/or100lge>. QSL via LOTW, Club Log and e-qsl.

**SM, SWEDEN** **SK100FRK** is the special callsign celebrating the 100 anniversary since Falu

Radioklubb (SK4AO) was founded. Look for activity during 2024. A very special diploma will be available - see <https://www.qrz.com/db/SK100FRK>. (TNX 42DX)

**SM, SWEDEN SK50B** is the special callsign for members of the Botkyrka Radioamatorer to celebrate their club's golden jubilee throughout 2024. The club was founded on 18 January 1974. QSL via the bureau to SK0HB. (TNX 42DX)

**SP, POLAND** Marking the 25th anniversary since Poland joined the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, special callsign **HF25NATO** will be active from 1 May to 31 August. A certificate will be available for download on <https://hf25nato.spaward.pl>. QSL via LoTW, or via Club Log's OQRS (only 100 "limited edition QSL cards" will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. (TNX 425DX)

**SP, POLAND SN55DIG** is the special callsign that Adam, SQ9S will be using until the end of the year to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Diplom Interessen Gruppe. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. See <https://diplom-interessen-gruppe.info/> for information about the DIG. (TNX 425DX)

**SP, POLAND** Celebrating the 65th anniversary of the SP DX Club, special callsigns **SP65S, SO65P, SN65D, HF65X** and **3Z65C** will be active on 1-16 June. A certificate will be available, complete information can be found on <https://logsp.pzk.org.pl/a/spdxc/index.php>. (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Islands On The Air programme, special event callsign **VI60IOTA** will be in use across Australia during 2024: "whenever VI60IOTA is heard on the air", the organizers say, "it will be from one of the VK IOTA entities", including the main islands of Australia (OC-001) and Tasmania (OC- 007). QSOs will be made available for Club Log and LoTW Matching on the IOTA website; traditional QSLs via M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

**VU, INDIA** A number of special event stations will be active from Kargil, in the Indian Himalayan Region, to celebrate the 25th Kargil Vijay Diwas (Kargil Victory Day): 3-7 June AT25KVE QSL via VU2URC 10-14 June AT25KAR QSL via VU2FI 25-30 June AT25KVF QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**VU, INDIA** Jose, VU2JOS operates around the World Communications Day as **AU5J** until June 30. QSL via home call. (TNX DXNL)

**YU, SERBIA** Organised radio amateurism in Serbia began with the founding of the "Society of Friends of Radio-Telegraphy and Radio-Telephony" on 15 July 1924 in Belgrade. Celebrating 100 years of Amateur Radio in the region, the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (YU1SRS) are active as **YT100R** and **YU100R** until December. A certificate will be available: <https://www.radiosport.yu1srs.org.rs/>.